



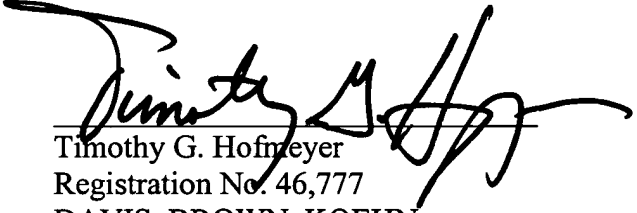
REMARKS

The application has been amended to include a priority claim. Great care has been taken to avoid the introduction of new subject matter into the application as a result of the foregoing modification.

The Examiner is respectfully urged to call the undersigned attorney at (515) 288-2500 to discuss the claims in an effort to reach a mutual agreement with respect to claim limitations in the present application which will be effective to define the patentable subject matter if the present claims are not deemed to be adequate for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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